

What is claimed is:

1. A school searching method for searching information concerning schools conforming to the searching student comprising:

obtaining an ability characteristic indicating ability level in a current academic stage of the searching student;

setting a target condition in a target stage of the searching student; and

searching at least one route school located in a intermediate academic stage between said current academic stage and said target stage, said at least one route school conforming to said ability characteristic and forming a target achieving course suitable for the searching student to reach said target condition.

2. The method according to claim 1, wherein the step of searching the route school comprises searching the route school conforming to the ability characteristic as well as the condition for a next stage, in a direction reverse to the academic progressing direction, with the target stage as the starting point.

3. The method according to claim 1, wherein the step of searching the route school comprises selecting a school constituting a consecutive school group as the route school forming the target achieving course, said consecutive school group constituting schools belonging to a plurality of intermediate academic stages adjacent to each other and each having continuity, and wherein the school constituting the consecutive school group is selected as the route school when the lower stage school of the consecutive school group conforms to the ability characteristic and when the upper stage school of the consecutive school group conforms to the condition of next stage.

4. The method according to claim 1, wherein the step of searching the route school comprises searching the route school based on easy-accessibility of the whole target achieving course obtained from easy-accessibility of each stage movement between the current academic stage and the target stage.

5. The method according to claim 1, wherein said target condition of said target stage is an occupation in an employment stage.

6. The method according to claim 1, wherein said target condition of said target stage is a university in a university stage.

7. The method according to claim 1, further comprising obtaining a desired condition indicating desire of the searching student with respect to the route school, wherein the step of searching the route school comprises searching the route school conforming to said desired condition.

8. The method according to claim 7 wherein said desired condition includes location of the route school.

9. A school searching apparatus for searching information concerning schools conforming to the searching student comprising:

an ability characteristic obtaining section for obtaining an ability characteristic indicating ability level in a current academic stage of the searching student;

a target condition setting section for setting a target condition in a target stage of the searching student; and

a route school searching section for searching at least one route school located in an intermediate academic stage between said current academic stage and said target stage, said

at least one route school conforming to said ability characteristic and forming a target achieving course suitable for the searching student to reach said target condition.

10. The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the route school searching section searches the route school conforming to the ability characteristic as well as the condition for next stage, in the direction reverse to the academic progressing direction, with the target stage as the starting point.

11. The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the route school searching section selects a school constituting a consecutive school group as the route school forming the target achieving course, said consecutive school group constituting schools belonging to a plurality of intermediate academic stages adjacent to each other and each having continuity, and wherein the school constituting the consecutive school group is selected as the route school when the lower stage school of the consecutive school group conforms to the ability characteristic and when the upper stage school of the consecutive school group conforms to the condition of a next stage.

12. The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the route school searching section searches the route school based on easy-accessibility of the whole target achieving course obtained from easy-accessibility of each stage movement between the current academic stage and the target stage.

13. The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein said target condition of said target stage is an occupation in an employment stage.

14. The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein said target condition of said target stage is a university in a university stage.

15. The apparatus according to claim 9, further comprising a condition obtaining section for obtaining a desired condition indicating desire of the searching student with respect to the route school, wherein the route school searching section searches the route school conforming to said desired condition.

16. The apparatus according to claim 15 wherein said desired condition includes location of the route school.

17. A school searching apparatus for searching information concerning schools conforming to the searching student comprising:

means for obtaining ability characteristic indicating ability level in a current academic stage of the searching student;

means for setting a target condition in a target stage of the searching student; and

means for searching at least one route school located in a intermediate academic stage between said current academic stage and said target stage, said at least one route school conforming to said ability characteristic and forming a target achieving course suitable for the searching student to reach said target condition.

18. A school searching system comprising:

a school searching WWW server which may be accessed by the user terminal used for the searching student; and

a school searching server to search information regarding the school conforming to the searching student based on the information of the searching student acquired from the user terminal through the school searching WWW server, said school searching server including: an ability obtaining section for obtaining ability characteristic indicating ability level in a current academic stage of the searching student; a target setting section for setting a target condition in a target stage

of the searching student; and a route school searching section for searching at least one route school located in an intermediate academic stage between said current academic stage and said target stage, said at least one route school conforming to said ability characteristic and forming a target achieving course suitable for the searching student to reach said target condition, wherein said school searching WWW server provides the information of the searching result obtained from said school searching server to the user terminal after processing the information for providing it to the user terminal.

19. A program capable of being executed by a computer, the program causing the computer carry out:

obtaining an ability characteristic indicating ability level in a current academic stage of the searching student;

setting a target condition in a target stage of the searching student; and

searching at least one route school located in an intermediate academic stage between said current academic stage and said target stage, said at least one route school conforming to said ability characteristic and forming a target achieving course suitable for the searching student to reach said target condition.

20. A recorded medium storing a program executable by a computer, said program causing the computer to carry out:

obtaining an ability characteristic indicating ability level in a current academic stage of the searching student;

setting a target condition in a target stage of the searching student; and

searching at least one route school located in a intermediate academic stage between said current academic stage and said target stage, said at least one route school conforming to said ability characteristic and forming a target achieving

course suitable for the searching student to reach said target condition.